WHEREAS, The very foundation of civilization rests on the family unit; and,

WHEREAS, The key member of the family unit is the mother; and,

WHEREAS, it is fitting and appropriate for us to pay proper tribute to mothers and their great contribution to civilized society; and,

WHEREAS, The South Dakota Mother of the Year for 1977 is Mrs. Kelli Jo Travers:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RICHARD F. KNEIP, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim the week of May 8-14, 1977, as

SOUTH DAKOTA MOTHERS' WEEK

and I further urge all residents of our State to take proper notice of this special occasion by paying tribute to the institution of motherhood and mothers.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this 26th day of March, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-Seven

RICHARD F. KNEIP, GOVERNOR

ATTEST:

LORNA B. HERSETH, SECRETARY OF STATE

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